Classic Cairo & Alexandria: A 5-Day Discovery Tour

Price Starting From: \$720

5 Days Cairo and Alexandria Egypt

Experience the best of Egypt tour package with our "Classic Cairo & Alexandria: A 5-Day Discovery Tour." Spend five unforgettable days exploring Cairo's iconic landmarks, including the awe-inspiring Pyramids of Giza, the Sphinx, and the fascinating Egyptian Museum.

Wander through the vibrant streets of the ancient bazaar before heading to Alexandria for an Egypt day tour to discover its majestic sites.

This tour offers a blend of historical grandeur and cultural immersion, promising a memorable journey through Egypt's tours rich heritage.

Overview Inclusion

- 4 nights' accommodation in Cairo
- Daily breakfast
- Guided tours of the Pyramids of Giza, the Sphinx, and the Egyptian Museum
- Day trip to Alexandria with a guided tour
- All transfers and transportation
- Entrance fees to all included sites
- Professional English-speaking guide

Exclusion

- International airfare
- Meals not mentioned in the itinerary
- Personal expenses and tips
- Optional excursions

Itinerary

Day 1: Getting to Cairo and settling down

The tour guide from Cairo Top Tours will be waiting for you inside the terminal at <u>Cairo International</u> <u>Airport</u> when your flight arrives. Your name will be displayed on a signboard. He will drive you to your Giza hotel in a luxurious, air-conditioned private car. As soon as you arrive at the hotel and our representative helps you check in smoothly, you will settle into your room. Please make sure to update the Egypt Classic Tours from Cairo to Alexandria schedule for all pick-up timings.

Spend the night in Cairo.

Day 2: Pyramids Sightseeing Tour

Begin your day with a gourmet breakfast at your Cairo hotel. Afterward, our expert guide will meet you to kick off your <u>Giza Pyramids</u> tour. We'll transfer you to explore the renowned historical sites, starting with the Great Pyramid, constructed over 4500 years ago during the Old Kingdom.

Discover the Pyramid of Chephren, the slightly smaller pyramid built by Chephren, the son of Cheops, in tribute to his father. Marvel at the <u>Great Sphinx</u>, Egypt's largest, carved from a single block of stone, symbolizing strength and wisdom with its lion's body and human head. You'll also see the smallest royal pyramid in Giza, built for King Mycerinus of the 4th dynasty, from the high plateau. Enjoy the option of a camel ride for breathtaking photos.

Next, visit one of Egypt's oldest temples, located directly in front of the Sphinx. This temple, used for the "opening of the mouth" ritual, was built for King Chephren to ensure his mummy could partake in the afterlife.

Following this, you'll be transferred for a 35-minute drive to the open-air museum in <u>Memphis</u>, the ancient capital of Egypt. Explore the city's treasures and artifacts that highlight its historical significance.

Continue to the Saqqara necropolis, home to 11 royal pyramids and numerous Mastaba tombs of high officials and nobles. Witness the Step Pyramid, the world's first stone structure, built by the renowned architect Imhotep for King Djoser. You'll also visit the Pyramid of Teti, adorned with hieroglyphs and cartouches, and explore a Mastaba tomb featuring vivid scenes of ancient Egyptian daily life.

Enjoy lunch at a local restaurant in the <u>Saqqara</u> village, then proceed to Memphis, which served as Egypt's capital from the Old Kingdom through the Greco-Roman era.

After your engaging tours, return to your Giza hotel for an overnight stay.

Meals included: breakfast and lunch.

Day 3: Egyptian Museum and Cairo Tour

Start your day with a hearty breakfast at the hotel before diving into another exciting day of your Egypt Classic Tours. Your licensed guide will first take you to the renowned Egyptian Museum, home to an extensive collection of Egyptian artifacts spread across two floors, including the spectacular royal treasures of Tutankhamun.

Next, visit the <u>Citadel of Saladin</u>, the historic center of Egyptian governance for centuries. Here, you'll explore the Alabaster Mosque of Mohamed Ali, a stunning example of Ottoman architecture in Egypt. Enjoy the splendor of <u>Islamic Cairo</u>, with its historic mosques, soaring towers, and vibrant domes, some of which date back over a millennium.

Your <u>Coptic Cairo</u> tour will include a visit to the Roman fortress of Babylon and the Hanging Church of the Holy Virgin Mary, also known as Al Mualaka, due to its construction above the fortress towers.

Explore the Church of St. Sergius, built on the site where the Holy Family is believed to have stayed during their time in Egypt, and the <u>Ben Ezra Synagogue</u>, traditionally located where baby Moses was discovered in a basket.

After a delicious lunch, continue your exploration of Islamic Cairo with a trip to the Khan El Khalili bazaar. Wander through the vibrant market and the surrounding medieval streets and walls, dating back to the 10th century.

Your representative will then return you to your hotel for an overnight stay in Cairo. Meals included: breakfast and lunch.

Day 4: Alexandria sightseeing tour

After breakfast, prepare to go on a day trip to <u>Alexandria</u> with your knowledgeable English-speaking Egyptologist guide. You'll travel from Cairo to Alexandria in a comfortable, air-conditioned vehicle, with a brief stop along the way.

Upon arrival in Alexandria, known as the "pearl of the Mediterranean" and Egypt's second capital, you'll begin your exploration of this historic city founded by Alexander the Great in 332 B.C.

Your first stop is <u>Pompey's Pillar</u>, erected in 297 B.C. to commemorate the victory of the Roman Emperor Diocletian over a revolt in Alexandria. Next, visit the Catacombs of <u>Kom El Shokkafa</u>, discovered at the dawn of the 20th century and regarded as one of the largest Roman burial sites.

Continue along the coast to the Citadel of Qaitbay, which stands on the site of the ancient Lighthouse of Alexandria. This fortress offers stunning views as it extends into the Eastern Port.

Explore the Bibliotheca of Alexandria, the world's oldest center of scientific research, founded in the early 3rd century B.C.

No visit to Alexandria is complete without sampling its renowned seafood. Enjoy a lunch featuring the freshest local ingredients before returning to your Cairo hotel for the night.

Meals included: breakfast and lunch.

Day 5: Your Egypt travel packages come to a close from Cairo

Savor the last delicious breakfast of your Egypt vacation packages. Following your check-out, a tour guide from Cairo's Best Tours will come get you, and you'll be driven to Cairo International Airport for your last flight.

Breakfast is the meal.